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Anicut across the Nagavalli at Panasanandivada.

* 1175 Q.—SRI P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Superintending Engineer, Dowlaishwaram, has ordered the investigation of a proposal to construct an anicut or regulator across Nagavalli at Panasanandivada;

(b) whether the investigation is finished and when the scheme will be implemented; and

(c) what is the probable acreage that will be brought under cultivation under the above scheme under (1) old channel wet, (2) tank wet, and (3) dry lands?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" (a) No.

" (b) & (c) Do not arise."

MR. SPEAKER:—" It is now 9-30 a.m. I will allow ten minutes or more for the Hon. Ministers to answer the remaining questions."

Lock-out in the factories in Madras City.

* 1176 Q.—

SRI A. RATHINAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) how many factories were on lock-out in the City of Madras and its suburbs during the months of March and April 1953;

(b) the total number of labourers affected in each factory; and

(c) the measures of relief caused by the Government and the actions taken on the managements to redress the grievances of the labourers?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" (a) Four factories were locked out during March and April 1953.

	Number of workers.
" (b) Swami Oil Mills	29
Madras Electric Tramways	1,650
Ashok Motors, Limited	234
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" (c) In respect of Swami Oil Mills, Madras Electric Tramways, Limited, and Ashok Motors, Limited, the question of relief to the workers affected has been referred for adjudication. As regards the last concern, the matter is under consideration."